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In re application of:
Pierre Lelong et al. § Confirmation No. 5188
Serial No.: 09/761,254 § Group Art Unit: 2623
Filed: January 16, 2001 § Examiner: Martin E. Miller
For: PROCESSING METHOD AND §
SYSTEM FOR 3-D GEOMETRIC §
MODELING OF THE SPINE §

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendment to the Abstract begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.